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Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed November 17, 2006, kindly amend the above captioned application for patent as follows: